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EL SALVADOR MAN INDICTED FOR ILLEGAL REENTRY INTO THE UNITED STATES

PRESS RELEASE

INDIANAPOLIS - Joseph H. Hogsett, United States Attorney, announced today that Jorge Alberto Lopez-Cordova, 32, of El Salvador, but residing in Clark County, Ind., was indicted by a federal grand jury today with unlawful reentry by an alien who is a convicted felon, following an investigation by the Department of Homeland Security Investigations.

The indictment alleges that Lopez-Cordova, having been arrested and deported from the United States to El Salvador on July 9, 2008, as a result of a conviction for conspiracy to commit dealing in cocaine in Floyd County in January 2005, was found in the United States, in Clark County, Ind., on March 25, 2011, without the express written consent of the United States Attorney General.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney James M. Warden, who is prosecuting the case for the government, Lopez-Cordova faces a maximum of 20 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine. An initial hearing will be scheduled in New Albany before a U.S. Magistrate Judge.

An indictment is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. A defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial at which the government must prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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